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June 7, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000696 - Del Amo Channel - Avalon Pump Station, City of Carson (2), S. S. Mechanical, with a final contract amount of \$1,713,485.71 (Partial).

Project ID No. FMD0001034 - Channel Right of Way Clearing, 2004, West Maintenance Area, at various locations within the west area of the County (3 and 5), Trimming Land Company, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$16,526.24, and a final contract amount of \$450,973.76.

Project ID No. RDC0014300 - Colima Road at Banida Avenue (East), vicinity of Diamond Bar (4), Steiny and Company, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$5,647.61, and a final contract amount of \$119,277.31.

Project ID No. RMD4246005 - Parkway Tree Trimming, RD 141/241, FY 2004-05, vicinities of South Gate, Compton, and Long Beach (1, 2, and 4), Travers Tree Service, Inc., with a final contract amount of \$130,782.00.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of the Acting Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Acting Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID Nos. FMD0001034 and RDC0014300.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from a credit of \$16,526.24 to an increase in the amount of \$5,647.61, while the total values of the contracts range from \$119,277.31 to \$1,713,485.71.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Acting Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE
Acting Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (PARTIAL)

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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000696, DEL AMO CHANNEL- AVALON PUMP STATION
(City of Carson), Supervisorial District 2

Contractor: S. S.Mechanical, 17631 Metzler Lane, Huntington Beach, California 92647

Project Description:

Engine replacement and pump station upgrade.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the contract work for this project on May 11, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

We have identified additional work which must be done in order to meet the intent of the design. It is in the County's best interest to retain the current contractor to complete this additional work. Rather than delay payment of the retention to the contractor for the completed work, pursuant to Section 7107 of the Public Contract Code, we recommend that all retention be released. Upon completion of the additional work, we will provide your Board with our recommendation for final acceptance of the work of this contract.

Contract Amount at this Time:

Original contract amount	\$1,667,783.04
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	<u>45,702.67</u>
CONTRACT AMOUNT AT THIS TIME	<u>\$1,713,485.71</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. FMD0001034, CHANNEL RIGHT OF WAY CLEARING, 2004, WEST MAINTENANCE AREA (at various locations within the west area of the County),
Supervisory Districts 3 and 5

Contractor: Trimming Land Company, Inc., 10513 Dolores Avenue, South Gate,
California 90280

Project Description:

Clearing and removal of vegetation and debris from channel rights of way and channel lining weep holes, joints, and cracks.

Change in Work:

Dump Fees (\$16,526.24)

Description of Change:

The contract specifications provide an allowance to compensate the contractor for dump fees based on the actual costs incurred. The actual costs of the dump fees incurred by the contractor were less than the amount of the allowance resulting in a credit to the contract in the amount shown.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on December 17, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$467,500.00
Changes in work authorized by the Acting Director of Public Works	<u>(16,526.24)</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$450,973.76</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014300, COLIMA ROAD AT BANIDA AVENUE (EAST)
(in the vicinity of Diamond Bar), Supervisorial District 4

Contractor: Steiny and Company, Inc., 12907 East Garvey Avenue, Baldwin Park, California 91706

Project Description:

Installation of traffic signals, striping and pavement markings, and construction of curb ramps.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	\$3,779.32
(2) Remove and Restripe Limit Line	<u>1,868.29</u>
Total	<u>\$5,647.61</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) To meet field conditions, it was necessary to remove and restripe the limit line in the east bound direction of Colima Road at Banida Avenue.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was based on time and materials as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on April 5, 2005, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$113,629.70
Changes in work authorized by the Acting Director of Public Works	<u>5,647.61</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$119,277.31</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD4246005, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, RD 141/241,
FY 2004-05 (vicinities of South Gate, Compton, and Long Beach),
Supervisory Districts 1, 2, and 4

Contractor: Travers Tree Service, Inc., P.O. Box 7000-416, Palos Verdes Peninsula,
California 90274

Project Description:

Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on April 20, 2005, in accordance with the plans
and specifications.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$118,840.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	<u>11,942.00</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$130,782.00</u>

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